ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A bar code symbology comprises a set of symbols having characters and patterns of bars and spaces. Each character spans a distance of m module widths and is represented by n bars and p interleaved spaces. The largest single bar or space is limited to k modules in width. A human recognizable graphic element is provided among the patterns of bars and spaces. At least a portion of the graphic element is machine readable and recognizable by a decoder as a portion of the symbol.